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HALLECK FURTHER SAID THAT WHEN SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV DEMANDED REMOVAL OF U.S. MISSILES FROM TURKEY DURING THE CUBAN NEGOTIATIONS "THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WERE TOLD KHRUSHCHEV'S DEMAND HAD BEEN REJECTED," WITH DEPUTY DEFENSE SECRETARY ROSWELL GILPATRICK ON NOV 11, 1962 DENYING THEY WOULD BE REMOVED.

"YET ONLY TWO MONTHS LATER ON JAN. 23, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE LEARNED NOT FROM WASHINGTON, BUT FROM ANKARA, THAT IN FACT OUR MISSILES WERE BEING WITHDRAWN FROM TURKEY," HE SAID.

HALLECK SAID THE TRUTH RECORD ON THE DOMESTIC FRONT IS "NO BETTER."

"FOR AN ADMINISTRATION WHICH SAYS IT FAVORS TRUTH IN ADVERTISING, TRUTH IN SECURITIES, TRUTH IN PACKAGING, TRUTH IN INTEREST RATES AND TRUTH IN TV RATINGS," HE SUGGEST IT ALSO CONSIDER A PROJECT FOR TRUTH IN GOVERNMENT," HALLECK DECLARED.

HE SAID THAT ON THE EVE OF LAST YEAR'S CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS LABOR SECRETARY WILLARD WIRTZ "ISSUED A SET OF PRONY JOB FIGURES FOR THE ELECTORATE, CLAIMING THAT 4,500,000 MORE AMERICANS HAD JOBS SINCE KENNEDY TOOK OFFICE. "A MONTH LATER HE ADMITTED THAT THE ACTUAL INCREASE WAS ONLY 1,200,000, OR APPROXIMATELY A NORMAL INCREASE," HALLECK SAID. ON ELECTION EVE WIRTZ SAID UNEMPLOYMENT HAD BEEN "REDUCED BY OVER 2,000,000.

HALLECK SAID THE "TRUTH WAS THE FIGURE WAS A THIRD THAT SIZE."

WHEN A REPORTER POINTED OUT THAT PRESIDENT KENNEDY HAD EXPLAINED IT WOULD HAVE BEEN "DISASTROUS" FOR RUSSIA TO HAVE LEARNED IMMEDIATELY THAT THE UNITED STATES KNEW OF ITS MISSILE DECEPTION, DIRKSEN REPLIED:

"BUT LOOK HOW LONG IT (THE INFORMATION) WAS HELD."

HE SAID NO INFORMATION SHOULD BE WITHHELD FROM THE PUBLIC UNLESS IT JEOPARDIZES THE NATION'S SECURITY.

ANOTHER NEWSMAN ASKED IF "NEWS MANAGEMENT IS NOT A DISEASE THAT AFFLICTS EVERY ADMINISTRATION" AND SAID THE COUNTRY WAS "LIED TO" ORIGINALLY ABOUT THE U-2 FLIGHTS OVER RUSSIA. DIRKSEN REPLIED THAT THE "WHOLE TRUTH" WAS DISCLOSED BY PRESIDENT EISENHOWER AND THAT HE WAS "SCOLDED" FOR DOING IT BY SOME.

"I'VE NEVER MANAGED THE NEWS," DIRKSEN SAID.

ASKED DIRECTLY IF HE FELT THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION IS "MORE GUILTY THAN OTHERS" OF NEWS MANAGEMENT, DIRKSEN SAID:

"IF YOU WANT A CATEGORICAL ANSWER -- THE ANSWER IS YES."

DIRKSEN SAID AGAIN HE HOPES SOON TO MAKE PUBLIC HIS REPORT ON THE BAY OF PIGS INVASION FIASCO AND SUBMIT IT TO A SENATE COMMITTEE FOR INVESTIGATION. HE SAID IT HAD BEEN "WITHHELD" ONLY BECAUSE SENATE COMMITTEES HAD BEEN SLOW GETTING ORGANIZED.

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